

## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook August 28 – September 3, 2014

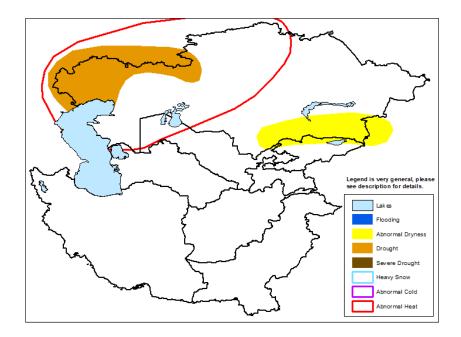
## **Temperatures:**

Temperatures averaged as much as 10 degrees C above-normal across Kazakhstan from August 17-23, while temperatures averaged closer to normal across the remainder of Central Asia. The hottest temperature (39 degrees C) was recorded in north-central Kazakhstan. Abnormal heat is expected to affect the western third of Kazakhstan early in the period when maximum temperatures are forecast to exceed 36 degrees C. A cold front is expected to bring much cooler temperatures to Kazakhstan by the end of August.

## **Precipitation**

Due to the prolonged period of below-normal precipitation since May and guidance from VHI, a drought area is posted across parts of northwest Kazakhstan where dry weather persisted for the second consecutive week. Meanwhile, locally heavy rain (up to 97 mm) fell in northern Pakistan.

During the next week, the GFS indicates little or no precipitation across Central Asia. The aforementioned cold front is likely to bring locally heavy rain (more than 25 mm) to northern Kazakhstan.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.